IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: CRIMINAL ACTION

14-CR-110-1

Plaintiff

: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania VS.

October 1, 2014

CHRISTOPHER STEELE, : a/k/a "Mike Dozer: : DAY III

: TRIAL TESTIMONY OF CHRISTOPHER STEELE

BEFORE THE HONORABLE JUAN R. SANCHEZ UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE and a Jury

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               (At 9:20 a.m. in Courtroom 11a.)
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               (The previous proceedings have not been transcribed at
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    this time.
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               THE COURT: Call your next witness, please.
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               MR. WRAY: My next witness -- witness is going to be
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    the defendant, your Honor.
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               THE COURT: All right. Very well.
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               Members of the jury, we have to take two minutes --
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    three minutes -- so, I am going to give you a very short break
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    and then, we'll -- we will continue, I believe, he will be the
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    last witness.
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               So, remember, my instructions to you yesterday, do I
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    need to repeat them? Thank you. You may go into the jury room.
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               ESR OPERATOR: All rise.
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               (Jury out at 9:20 a.m.)
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               (Pause at 9:21 a.m.)
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               (Long pause.)
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               (Jury in at 9:23 a.m.)
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               THE COURT: The jury may be seated.
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               ESR OPERATOR: Please raise your right hand.
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               CHRISTOPHER STEELE, DEFENDANT, SWORN.
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               THE DEFENDANT: I do.
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               ESR OPERATOR: Please state your name and spell your
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last name for the record, please.

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               THE DEFENDANT: Christopher Steele, S-t-e-e-l-e.
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               ESR OPERATOR: Thank you, sir.
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               MS. ROTELLA: Your Honor --
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               THE COURT: Yes.
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               MS. ROTELLA: -- may we see you at side bar, briefly?
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               THE COURT: Sure.
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               (Discussion at side bar held on the record at 9:24
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    a.m.)
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               MS. ROTELLA: ... (indiscernible).
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               THE COURT: I -- I've never done that, unless
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    there's --
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               MR. WRAY: ... you know, admitted to other state
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    courts, it's always --
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               (Counsel are not speaking at the microphone throughout
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    the side-bar conference.)
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               MR. WRAY: -- just the way this works, which it starts
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    off early, crosses over.
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               THE COURT: Okay.
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               It's been the practice in our court -- have a
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    colloquy, but (indiscernible), but I think -- (indiscernible),
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    right?
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               MR. WRAY: Right.
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               And they advise him of -- (indiscernible).
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               THE COURT: All right. Hold on. (Indiscernible).
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- 1 (Concluded at side bar at 9:25 a.m.)
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- MR. WRAY: May I inquire, your Honor?
- 4 THE COURT: You may.
- 5 <u>DIRECT EXAMINATION</u>
- 6 BY MR. WRAY:
- 7 Q. Good morning, Mr. Steele.
- 8 A. Good morning.
- 9 Q. What do you do for a living?
- 10 A. I'm -- supplies, at the time was an exterminator and --
- 11 Q. Mr. Steele --
- 12 A. -- and -- yes?
- 13 Q. You've been dealing with me for a while, we need you to
- 14 speak up, please?
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 THE COURT: Move your microphone closer. And you
- 17 could move your chair a little closer.
- THE DEFENDANT: Hm-hmm.
- 19 THE COURT: All right.
- 20 And speak in to the microphone.
- 21 A. I was an exterminator.
- 22 Q. And where -- where was that?
- 23 A. Royal Fumigation in New Castle, Delaware.
- 24 Q. And what were your hours, was it a full -- well, first of
- 25 all, was it full time or part time?

- 1 A. It was full time.
- 2 Q. What kind of hours did you work?
- 3 A. Ah, long weekends.
- Ah, there were Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Thursday
- 5 was as-needed, other than that it was Friday, Saturday and
- 6 Sunday.
- 7 Q. Well, what kind of places were you fumigating?
- 8 A. Ah, warehouses and businesses, that's why it was done
- 9 during the weekends, because you couldn't fumigate a building,
- 10 when there were employees or other people in it.
- 11 Q. Do you do anything else for a living?
- 12 A. Well, I was doing adult modeling, yes.
- 13 Q. And by adult modeling, what exactly do you mean?
- 14 A. Ah, I was doing photo shoots and magazine pictorials, film
- 15 work, nightclub entertainment. I was hosting parties.
- 16 Q. And by film work --
- MR. WRAY: Michelle.
- 18 (Discussion held off the record at 9:27 a.m.)
- 19 BY MR. WRAY:
- 20 Q. Do you recognize what these are?
- 21 A. Yes, I do.
- MR. WRAY: May I approach, your Honor?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 24 Q. Take a look at these, please.
- MS. ROTELLA: Are they marked?

- 1 MR. WRAY: Ah, I'm marking for identification as
- 2 D-1 --
- 3 THE COURT: One through what?
- 4 MR. WRAY: -- 1 -- 1 through -- D-1 through 4.
- 5 THE COURT: Okay.
- THE COURT: How are we going to be able to distinguish
- 7 which one is D-1, D-2, D-3 and D-4?
- 8 MR. WRAY: Well, we'll -- I'll come down, one at a
- 9 time.
- THE COURT: Okay, go ahead.
- 11 BY MR. WRAY:
- 12 Q. What's D-1?
- 13 A. Ah, it's a movie from Ratings Gang --
- 14 Q. Ah, take a good look at the front and the back and tell me,
- 15 does the name -- is there a name on there, that you recognize as
- 16 associated with yourself?
- 17 A. Ah, this one, no, this one is -- this is a two-part series,
- 18 so it's a culmination of scenes. And this particular DVD, I'm
- 19 not on, but --
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. -- it's Part One to the second.
- 22 Q. Okay, okay.
- Go to the next one, D-2, is that the second part of --
- 24 of the --
- 25 A. Yes.

 $1\,$ Q. And do you -- the same question, is that a film that you --

- 2 that you have -- there's a name associated with you in?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And what name was that?
- 5 A. Mike Dozer.
- 6 Q. Go to D-3, what's the title of that film?
- 7 A. Young Americans, Part 2.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 And take a look at the front and the back, is your
- 10 name -- the name, Mike Dozer, does that appear on there?
- 11 A. Yes, it does.
- 12 Q. Turn to D-4, what's the title of that film?
- 13 A. Ah, Relentless.
- 14 Q. And looking on the front and back, does your -- does the
- 15 name, Mike Dozer appear?
- 16 A. Yes, it does.
- MR. WRAY: May I take those back?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 19 BY MR. WRAY:
- 20 Q. You're a porn actor, right?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. If you know to your knowledge, is that a legal business?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- 24 Q. And you've used the name, Mike Dozer, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And when you're paid, are you paid as Mike Dozer?
- 2 A. No. The checks are issued to Chris Steele or Christopher
- 3 Steele.
- 4 Q. And how long have you been into the porn business?
- 5 A. Ah, the very end of May, I believe, I created the name and
- 6 filmed my first scene on May 28th.
- 7 Q. And did you work exclusively with one film company?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. How many film companies have you worked with?
- 10 A. Ah, let's see, about six.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 And, approximately, how many films or -- well, what's
- the difference between a film and a scene?
- 14 A. Well, a scene, sometimes, they don't make it to a DVD,
- 15 sometimes, they're just for a website format.
- Other companies, actually, film tangible DVDs that you
- 17 can purchase online. So, I worked for both Internet-based as
- 18 well as Inter -- Internet and retail-based.
- 19 Q. And with regard to that work, how was that -- how -- how
- 20 was your work -- how do you get work?
- 21 A. Through my Twitter account and Facebook.
- 22 On my Twitter account it says, for -- ah -- for
- 23 booking and events, contact and it has my e-mail address.
- 24 Q. And that's the -- what e-mail address is that?
- 25 A. That's MikedozerXXX@gmail.com.

- 2 address?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Who else has access to -- if you know?
- 5 A. Ah, well, there was Johnny Shaw and I have a guy in Texas,
- 6 who helps work on the website, he has the passwords and log-ins
- 7 to all of my accounts.
- 8 Q. And -- and how much money do you make --
- 9 A. Hmm, it depended on the --
- 10 Q. -- doing the film work?
- 11 A. -- company -- it depended on the company, it could range
- 12 anywheres between -- ah -- seven fifty for a -- \$750.00 for a
- 13 half-day work or upwards of twelve hundred a full day -- a full
- 14 day of filming.
- 15 Q. And that doesn't sound like a lot of money?
- 16 A. It's not.
- 17 Q. Is there any way doing X-rated porn films, was what shown
- 18 to you as D-1 through 4 to make more money?
- 19 A. It's through additional work, such as the modeling that you
- 20 get from doing that, the book work, the print work, calendars,
- 21 appearances and the residuals.
- 22 Q. What's a residual?
- 23 A. Ah, it's -- they're called, conversions residuals -- or if
- 24 you can direct traffic company that you've worked for, they set
- 25 it up, where you get links sent to you. You distribute those

- 1 links and based on the amount of money they make off of the
- 2 links they provide you, you get a percentage of that sent to
- you.
- 4 Q. And what's that percentage, typically?
- 5 A. Well, you could get -- for monthly memberships -- it was up
- 6 to fifty percent depending on how long the member stayed a
- 7 member of the site.
- 8 And as for DVDs, it was a flat rate of anywheres
- 9 between two to \$5.00 per DVD that was sold.
- 10 Q. So, would it be fair to say, it was in your interest to
- 11 promote yourself and keep your name out there?
- 12 A. Absolutely.
- 13 Q. And you've heard testimony, that your pictures are on
- 14 Tumbler, do you recall that?
- 15 A. I've never put them up there.
- But when I was getting into the industry, I had tons
- 17 of people, that I knew, who contacted and asked me, is that me
- 18 on Tumbler, because my pictures went from being nowhere to being
- 19 everywhere in a matter of a week or two.
- 20 Q. And did you put them there?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Do you know who put them there?
- 23 A. No.
- MR. WRAY: One -- one moment.
- 25 (Pause and whispering her off the record at 9:34 a.m.)

- 1 MR. WRAY: Could we put up 39, please?
- 2 BY MR. WRAY:
- 3 Q. Mr. Steele, the picture from Exhibit 39 is going to show up
- 4 in a minute.
- 5 (Pause and whispering continues.)
- $6\,$ Q. Do you see those pictures there, Mr. Steele?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Those are pictures of you, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And do you recognize these pictures?
- 11 A. Ah, yes.
- 12 Q. Where are those pictures from?
- 13 A. Well, they're public pictures, ah, they were -- there's
- 14 some that -- as you -- all of them have been on Twitter account.
- 15 And it looks the one right there with the hard hat was on my web
- 16 page.
- And they've been on many blog writeups and interviews
- 18 that I've done at the beginning of my career.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 And are any of these pictures from any of your
- 21 modeling work -- nude modeling work?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Are any of these photos private pictures of you?
- 24 A. No, they're all public, you can find them if you google or
- 25 used Bing or -- did any search for my name, you would find every

- 1 single one of those pictures.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 Have you ever done -- pictures for anyone?
- 4 A. I've sent them to, maybe, somebody I was dating, but as for
- 5 -- to distribute on the Internet, no.
- 6 Q. And back to your work, how would you get to your job as a
- 7 fumigator?
- 8 A. Hmm. I would, either, get a ride or I would borrow one of
- 9 my parents' to get to work. They had a company vehicle and we
- 10 went in groups, so I would ride with four or five other guys in
- 11 a work truck to the sites and back.
- 12 Q. So, you had no car of your own?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And did you -- how did you get to -- get to you -- when you
- 15 were in film work, was your film done in Delaware?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Where did you do film work?
- 18 A. Ah, New York City. Well, I did a photo shoot in
- 19 Wilmington, I'd say, primarily, New York City, Florida and
- 20 California.
- 21 Q. And is Newark, where you live, does that have an airport?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Where would you fly out of?
- 24 A. Philadelphia.
- 25 Q. How would you get there?

- 1 A. I would have somebody pick me up in the morning and take
- $2 \quad \text{me.}$
- 3 Q. And if there were -- now, you -- were you -- are you
- 4 familiar with the Boys of Summer event?
- 5 A. Yes, I am.
- 6 Q. Have you ever participated in that event?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 Q. Have you ever appeared there as Mike Dozer?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 Q. And for that event, how did you get there?
- 11 A. The person I was dating at the time, they picked me up and
- 12 they accompanied me up there, stayed with me and did all of the
- 13 events with me.
- 14 Q. Did anybody ever take you, who you weren't dating?
- 15 A. What was that?
- 16 Q. Did anybody take you, who -- you weren't dating?
- 17 A. Ah, not to the Boys of Summer event, no.
- 18 Q. To your -- your film work?
- 19 A. Oh, yes.
- 20 Q. So, if you needed a ride to the airport to do your film
- 21 work, someone would give you a ride?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. Did you parents ever take you there?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Did you ever go into detail about your film work with your

- 1 mother?
- 2 A. I didn't go into detail about the film work, but I went
- 3 into detail about events and things that happened. She knew
- 4 about all of my trips, she knew where I was staying, she knew if
- 5 I was doing a nightclub event.
- The only thing that I didn't tell my mother was, there
- 7 was a camera in the room, a Camcorder. But everything else, she
- 8 knew.
- 9 Q. Do you know, there's a website called, Jack'D, Mr. Steele?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. Did you ever sign on for a Jack'D account?
- 12 A. Yes.
- MR. WRAY: And may I have this --
- 14 (Pause at 9:39 a.m.)
- MR. WRAY: May I approach the witness?
- THE COURT: You may.
- 17 BY MR. WRAY:
- 18 Q. I am going to show you Government Exhibit 35.2, do you
- 19 recognize that?
- 20 A. Yes, I do.
- 21 Q. Would you take it out, please.
- 22 A. (Witness complies.)
- 23 Q. Is that your cell phone?
- 24 A. It's one of my cell phones.
- 25 Q. How many cell phones, do you have?

- 1 A. Ah, well, I had several.
- 2 Q. This cell phone, it's been attested is the one with the
- 3 phone number of 302-229-4981, do you believe that that's the
- 4 same cell phone?
- 5 A. Yes, I do believe that.
- 6 Q. And is that the cell phone that you signed on to Jack'D
- 7 with?
- 8 A. It was one of the cell phones that was used to sign on to
- 9 my Jack'D account.
- 10 Q. Can you sign on to Jack'D with -- with a cell phone?
- 11 A. Yes, you can.
- 12 Q. For the same account?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 O. Is there a limit?
- 15 A. You can only have one account per cell phone, but you can
- 16 have one account, you can sign on with multiple devices -- but
- 17 you could only have one account per cell phone.
- 18 Q. And there's been expert testimony, that referred to that as
- 19 what's called an Android phone, is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. And with regard to Jack'D, are there any limits on what
- 22 Android phones can do?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 O. What are those limits?
- 25 A. Well, there's the two platforms, the Apple and the Android.

- 1 With the Apple platform, you can open and -- you can
- 2 open and close your private pictures at will.
- 3 With the Android, once you open them, they stay
- 4 opened, there is no re-closing.
- 5 With the Apple, you can file share, you can send and
- 6 receive the phones through the messaging service. With the
- 7 Android, you cannot, it's only a message application. So, you
- 8 could only text message with the Android.
- 9 Q. And if you'd text message with people on Jack'D -- Jack'D
- 10 -- and you open your cell phone to them, you can't close that
- 11 up?
- 12 A. No, you -- once -- with the Android, once you give them
- 13 access, you can't take it away.
- (Coughing at 9:41 a.m.)
- 15 BY MR. WRAY:
- 16 Q. And did you have private photos on your cell phone?
- 17 A. Yeah, it was used to promote the adult industry.
- 18 Q. So, you did not have a Jack'D account for Chris Steele,
- 19 just for Mike Dozer?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. That's what you're telling us?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. Did you go on and promote yourself on that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Part of my profile on that was, ah, breaking -- I

- 1 believe, it said, breaking out in the adult industry, follow me
- 2 on Twitter. And it had my Twitter account.
- 3 So, that when people saw the pictures, they would go
- 4 to the Twitter account and I would then build a fan base without
- 5 really attempting, because that profile was up all of the time
- 6 for anybody to look at.
- 7 Q. And that was another means of promoting your career as a
- 8 porn star?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And as an adult model?
- 11 A. Correct.
- MR. WRAY: Government's Exhibit 3, please.
- 13 BY MR. WRAY:
- 14 Q. You've seen this before, correct, Mr. Steele?
- 15 A. Yes, a few times.
- 16 Q. Do you personally recall this conversation?
- 17 A. Ah, I don't recall the conversation, but it looks as though
- 18 it was -- it occurred -- on an account that had my picture and
- 19 my name, but that could have been anybody.
- 20 Q. Well -- ah --
- 21 (Pause at 9:43 a.m.)
- 22 Q. Do you do anything to keep people -- well, first of all,
- 23 it's been testified several times, you'd needed to be eighteen
- on Jack'D, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

1 Q. To your knowledge, has anybody ever been on Jack'D who is

- 2 not eighteen?
- 3 A. You come across them, occasionally.
- 4 Q. And what options are there, once you discover someone is on
- 5 Jack'D, who is not eighteen?
- 6 A. Well, you can, either, report them or block them.
- 7 Q. Well, what do you mean by block them?
- 8 A. Ah, there's a feature -- described by the gentlemen
- 9 yesterday -- you just hit the block button and it's irreversible
- 10 on the Android.
- 11 You can block and unblock on the Apple format as well,
- 12 but what you do is, you block them, they have no access to send
- 13 you messages and you don't have access to message them anymore,
- 14 either.
- So, it actually severs all connection. They don't
- 16 know that you're on, they can't send you messages. There is no
- 17 way to verify if you're on and it's vice-versa as well.
- 18 Q. I want you to look to the third line with a photo of Mike
- 19 Dozer, the third line down, would you read that phrase out loud
- 20 to me, please?
- 21 A. Are you really eighteen? I don't care, I kind of like
- 22 my guys young.
- 23 Q. What would be the purpose of sending that message?
- 24 A. To uncover the person --
- 25 MS. ROTELLA: Objection, your Honor, I mean, I think

- 1 he's testified, he did not send it, so he's speculating on what
- 2 somebody else would do.
- 3 THE COURT: Very well. Your response?
- 4 MR. WRAY: I'll withdraw the question, Judge.
- 5 BY MR. WRAY:
- 6 Q. If you were having a conversation on Jack'D with somebody
- 7 who was under eighteen, what would you do?
- 8 MS. ROTELLA: Objection.
- 9 THE COURT: Basis?
- MS. ROTELLA: For the same reason.
- THE COURT: Your response?
- MR. WRAY: Your Honor, I think this is relevant
- 13 testimony about whether or not, he would --
- 14 THE COURT: I'll permit it, overruled, this is what he
- 15 would do. Go ahead.
- 16 Q. If you came across someone, who you discovered was
- 17 underage, what would you do?
- 18 A. You'd block that -- I would block it and report them.
- MR. WRAY: Do you want to bring up, 19 -- 19 up by
- 20 itself or not?
- 21 (Discussion held off the record at 9:46 a.m.)
- 22 Q. This is trans -- Exhibit 19 is a transcript of the
- 23 statement you gave to police and you watched it yesterday,
- 24 you're familiar with it, correct?
- 25 A. Right, yes.

- 1 Q. And you recall giving that statement, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you were arrested outside of your home, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. What happened next?
- 6 A. I was taken to the police department after put in cuffs.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 Do you remember who took you there?
- 9 A. I don't recall, I believe, it was one of the Delaware
- 10 detectives.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- When you got to the police station, where were you
- 13 put?
- 14 A. In a holding cell.
- 15 Q. Were you given any paperwork or given any other information
- 16 at that point?
- 17 A. Ah, that point, yes. I was told why I was being arrested
- 18 and they told me, that a broad basis of what the allegations
- 19 were. I was put in a holding cell.
- 20 And if I recall, they gave me the arrest warrant to
- 21 look at in the holding cell, just because they said, it was
- 22 gonna be a few minutes.
- MR. WRAY: I'm sorry, could we flip over to 11,
- 24 please.
- 25 BY MR. WRAY:

- 1 Q. Take a look at this document, does this document look
- 2 familiar to you?
- 3 A. Yes, it does.
- 4 Q. Is that the document you were handed?
- 5 A. Ah --
- 6 Q. Hold on, look -- look through the previous one time.
- 7 MR. WRAY: Can we go to the second page, please.
- 8 BY MR. WRAY:
- 9 Q. Does that page look familiar to you?
- 10 A. Yes, it does.
- 11 Q. Flip to the third page, please, does that page look
- 12 familiar to you?
- 13 A. Yes, it does.
- 14 Q. Look to the next page, please, does that look familiar to
- 15 you?
- 16 A. Yes, it does.
- 17 Q. Look to the next page.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Does that page look familiar to you?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And what does it say at the top of that?
- 22 A. Affidavit of probable cause.
- 23 Q. And look to the next page, please and look to the last
- 24 page.
- 25 And what number is on the bottom of the third page?

- 1 A. What numbers?
- 2 Q. Yes, the page number.
- 3 A. Oh, three.
- 4 Q. And if you'd flip back to -- I guess, the -- two pages back

- 5 to the original -- the one that says, affidavit of probable
- 6 cause, what page number is on that?
- 7 A. One of one.
- 8 Q. And did you read this entire document?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 Q. Approximately, how long were you sitting in a cell with
- 11 this document?
- 12 A. Hmm, upwards to twenty, thirty minutes.
- 13 Q. And upon reading this, what was your reaction?
- 14 A. Hmm, I was terrified and trying to make ends of what --
- 15 what was going on.
- MR. WRAY: Now, can move to nineteen, I'm sorry, thank
- 17 you very much for your indulgence.
- 18 BY MR. WRAY:
- 19 Q. You watched the video with us and you could see the
- 20 transcript at the same time?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. And you gave answers to them?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. And at the beginning of that -- that interview, what --
- 25 what documents were given to you?

- 1 A. The exact same warrant, the one that was just up.
- 2 (Pause and whispering held off the record at 9:51
- 3 a.m.)
- 4 BY MR. WRAY:
- 5 Q. Were you also given a Miranda warning?
- 6 A. Ah, yes, it was placed in front of me.
- 7 Q. And they went through that with you?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And they told you how to fill that out?
- 10 A. Ah, yes, they did.
- 11 Q. And --
- 12 (Pause continues.)
- 13 Q. -- in this statement that you gave on Page 9 -- well, Page
- 14 9, the first question, do you see that?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And that refers to what kind of cell-phone applications you
- 17 have, there's two listed there?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. One is Jack'D, what is the other one?
- 20 A. It's Scruff.
- 21 Q. Scruff -- Scruff is a similar program?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And does Scruff have a special meaning?
- 24 A. It indicates the type of person that you're gonna meet on
- 25 that application.

- 1 Q. And what kind of person would that be?
- 2 A. That would be the more rugged, alpha male, hairy, scruffy
- 3 face as the name.
- 4 Q. And with regard to that --
- 5 (Whispering held off the record at 9:52 p.m.)
- 6 MR. WRAY: May I approach the witness with D-1 through
- 7 5, please, your Honor?
- 8 THE COURT: You may.
- 9 BY MR. WRAY:
- 10 Q. Look at the -- the models that are on page -- D-1 through
- 11 4.
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Do they match what you just described?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And the film work that you've done, you're with similar
- 16 actors all the time?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Have you ever done film work with younger actors than
- 19 yourself?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Have you ever been asked to do work with actors younger than
- yourself?
- 23 A. I have been, yes.
- 24 Q. And what was your response?
- 25 A. Ah, if you want a more genuine scene, I need to be cast

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- 1 with somebody more appropriate and I'd prefer hair and a manly
- 2 look.
- 3 Q. And did you give them any answers regarding what kind of
- 4 ages of people that you liked?
- 5 A. Ah, I like my age or older, it would be age appropriate.
- 6 MS. ROTELLA: Your Honor, could we be seen at side
- 7 bar, please?
- THE COURT: You have an objection? Yes.
- 9 (Discussion held at side bar on the record at 9:54
- 10 a.m.)
- 11 THE COURT: Very well.
- I -- I don't know where you're going with this, I --
- MR. WRAY: I'm moving, actually, only from this point,
- 14 so.
- THE COURT: Okay.
- MS. ROTELLA: And I would -- I mean, we had a pretrial
- 17 motion on this very issue --
- THE COURT: Okay.
- MS. ROTELLA: -- and he's opening the door. I mean,
- 20 it's --
- 21 MR. WRAY: I don't believe, I'm opening the door.
- MS. ROTELLA: -- he's telling that he doesn't like
- 23 young kids. And we have evidence that he was doing the same
- 24 thing --
- THE COURT: Right.

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- 1 MS. ROTELLA: -- with a second boy.
- MR. WRAY: Well, be conscious and I'm moving away from
- 3 this point, anyway, your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: Very well.
- I don't know what you're doing, but be -- be very
- 6 careful, you don't to open the door, right?
- 7 MR. WRAY: And I'm -- Judge.
- 8 THE COURT: I'm giving you a fair trial, I'm holding
- 9 the Government -- or precluding -- the Government from
- 10 introducing that evidence --
- MR. WRAY: Okay.
- 12 THE COURT: -- but if you continue.
- MR. WRAY: I'm not going to continue on this point.
- 14 THE COURT: All right.
- MR. WRAY: And if I don't -- I have other areas to go
- 16 to.
- 17 THE COURT: Because that's not the issue in this case,
- 18 okay?
- MR. WRAY: Okay.
- THE COURT: All right.
- 21 (Concluded at side bar at 9:55 a.m.)
- 22 BY MR. WRAY:
- 23 Q. This was the entire statement you gave, correct?
- 24 A. Ah, at -- yes, I did -- New Castle County.
- 25 Q. And at some point during your interview, you requested a

- 1 lawyer?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. Why did you request a lawyer?
- 4 MS. ROTELLA: Objection.
- 5 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 6 (Pause at 9:56 a.m.)
- 7 BY MR. WRAY:
- 8 Q. Your cell phone there --
- 9 MR. WRAY: I'm done with -- oh, 19, I'm sorry.
- 10 Q. -- your cell phone
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. -- does that have a lock on it?
- 13 A. Ah, not it was not locked --
- 14 Q. And --
- 15 A. -- I didn't have a lock on it.
- 16 Q. What about the other cell phones you owned?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. And how many people had access to your e-mail accounts?
- 19 A. Ah, twelve, fifteen -- or access to the phone, anybody who
- 20 picked my phone up had access to my e-mails.
- 21 Q. You had a computer at home, right?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. How would someone -- did anybody know your password besides
- 24 you and Johnny?
- 25 A. My passwords are -- yeah, they had the passwords. I had --

- 1 the person I was dating at the time, ah, wanted full
- 2 transparency in our relationship, because of the type of work I

- 3 was doing.
- So, that's what it was, full transparency, he had
- 5 access to all my accounts. That's why the lock was not on the
- 6 phone.
- 7 Q. Okay.
- 8 And you gave a statement to the police, that you knew
- 9 someone named Dominic?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Do you know someone named Dominic?
- 12 A. Ah, well, there's a lot of people named Dominic, I had
- 13 forty thousand people contacting me Twitter in a matter of six
- 14 months. And five thousand people on -- ah -- Facebook.
- And I -- there's a Dominic out of Germany, that I'd
- 16 speak to, there's a Dominic out in California.
- 17 Q. How about the name, Hunter, do you know any Hunters?
- 18 A. Well, there's tons of Hunters that contact me.
- 19 Q. How about Skylar?
- 20 A. There's a lot of Skylars that contact me, we're talking
- 21 about upwards of fifty thousand people sending you messages.
- 22 Q. Do you answer them all, personally?
- 23 A. I do my best, yes.
- MR. WRAY: One moment, your Honor. I need to consult
- 25 with my associate for one moment, your Honor.

- 1 THE COURT: All right.
- 2 (Pause at 10:00 a.m.)
- 3 BY MR. WRAY:
- 4 Q. Did you go to Dominic Huntzinger's address in Limerick,
- 5 Pennsylvania?
- 6 A. No, I did not.
- 7 Q. Other than seeing him in court, had you met him at any time
- 8 during the spring or summer of 2013?
- 9 A. No, I did not.
- 10 Q. Did you have oral sex with the person, who came into the
- 11 courtroom, named Dominic Huntzinger?
- 12 A. No, I did not.
- 13 Q. Did you perform anal sex on the person, Dominic Huntzinger?
- 14 A. No, I did not.
- 15 Q. Did you have any sexual contact, whatsoever with Dominic
- 16 Huntzinger?
- 17 A. No, I did not.
- 18 Q. When you're online, what's your name?
- 19 A. Mike Dozer.
- 20 Q. And when you speak to people on Jack'D, do you know their
- 21 names?
- 22 A. I know the name that's on the account profit.
- 23 Q. Do you know any information about them beyond what's on
- 24 their profile?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Unless you were to ask them?
- 2 A. Correct.
- MR. WRAY: No further questions.
- 4 THE COURT: Ms. Rotella.
- 5 <u>CROSS-EXAMINATION</u>
- 6 BY MS. ROTELLA:
- 7 Q. So, Mr. Steele, you seem to be skirting around it a little
- 8 bit, but the -- let's be direct about it.
- 9 So, you lied to the police, that's what you led the
- 10 jury to believe, correct?
- 11 A. I did.
- 12 O. Yes.
- 13 You lied to them, when you were under arrest and when
- 14 you were worried about, what was going to happen to you that
- 15 day, you choose to lie to them?
- 16 A. It wasn't what I was worried about, it was what happened to
- 17 me, it was what was going to happen to somebody close to me.
- 18 Q. Oh, so you were doing it to protect somebody else, that's
- 19 what you would like them to believe?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. So, you were taking the wrap for somebody else?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. But today, that ends, right?
- 24 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 So, today you're telling the truth?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Today when you're facing being convicted on three counts
- 5 involving sexual exploitation and having sex with a fourteen-
- 6 year-old boy, today you're going to come and tell us the truth?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 MR. WRAY: Your Honor --
- 10 Q. Well, let's go --
- MR. WRAY: -- your Honor, can we have a side bar?
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled -- overruled, I --
- 13 MR. WRAY: I think she's shouting at him --
- 14 THE COURT: This is --
- MR. WRAY: -- for no reason at all.
- 16 THE COURT: -- this is cross-examination, I --
- 17 MR. WRAY: I -- I didn't yell at anyone.
- 18 THE COURT: -- sit -- sit down, objection overruled.
- 19 I'll permit it. You may proceed.
- 20 BY MS. ROTELLA:
- 21 Q. Let's go through how you knew what was being alleged
- 22 here --
- 23 A. Okay.
- 24 Q. -- when you spoke to the police.

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. That was December 13th of 2013, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 So, you were given the affidavit of probable cause,
- 6 you claim, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 O. Which is in Exhibit No. 11.
- 9 A. Correct.
- MS. ROTELLA: Would you pull that up?
- 11 Q. And that was given to you back in the holding cell?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. All right.
- 14 That's your entire knowledge of why you had been
- 15 arrested, is that right?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Because up until that point, you had not heard anything --
- 18 you -- you hadn't talked to your friend, you didn't know that
- 19 any boy was involved in anything. The first time you hear about
- this is December 13th of 2013?
- 21 A. You mean, the first time that I'd seen this -- yes.
- 22 Q. No, that's not what I asked you, pay attention.
- The question is, the first time you knew about any of
- 24 this, you knew about a fourteen-year having sex with an adult

- 1 named Dominic Huntzinger. The first time you learned about it
- 2 was when you saw the paper?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. All right.
- 5 And so, you just assumed that it had to have been your
- 6 friend that was involved?
- 7 A. He was the only one, who had full access to my accounts.
- 8 He often -- based off of my job -- was turned on by it. And he
- 9 would get on and talk to people, ah, under my name. And I had
- 10 no problem with that at the time.
- Now, in hindsight I see that it was probably not the
- 12 best idea to be that open with my career, my name, but yes, he
- 13 had full access to all of that information.
- 14 Q. So, to be fair, though, you've also testified -- and your
- 15 witness that came in here this morning -- also testified that he
- 16 had access to some of your things as well?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. But you're not going to blame this on your friend that was
- 19 here today?
- 20 A. My friend did not have access to Jack'D, the only one who
- 21 had access --
- 22 Q. Oh.
- 23 A. -- to Jack'D on a regular basis was the person I was dating
- 24 at the time.

- 1 Q. And you, correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And you?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. So, everything that you've learned about why the police
- 6 were there and the sexual abuse of this fourteen-year-old boy,
- 7 everything -- every bit of your knowledge -- came from that
- 8 paper, is that right?
- 9 A. At the time, correct, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 So, let's go through what you confessed to the police.
- 12 A. Okay.
- 13 Q. You told them, that you met him on Jack'D, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. That it was the summer of 2013, you think it was some time
- in August?
- 17 A. That's what the affidavit and I said, August, because I had
- 18 a fractured foot and there was a month that him and I had split
- 19 -- went ways and I couldn't account for his behavior during
- 20 August.
- 21 But up until August, I had spent lots of time with
- 22 him, he was in and out of my life for the better part of ten
- 23 years.
- 24 Q. Okay.

- 1 So, let's focus on the question and then, if you need
- 2 to explain it, you can do it after you answer my question, okay?
- What you told the police, was that this took place in
- 4 the summer of 2013 and you believed, it was some time in August,
- 5 is that right?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. That's what you said in your confession?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 You also told them, that you identified yourself as
- 11 Mike Dozer online on the Jack'D account, which was true?
- 12 A. No, I didn't say that I identified myself. They asked, if
- 13 I used the name, I believe that's what it said.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 And you did use the name of Mike Dozer?
- 16 A. Mike Dozer was my work name, correct.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 And you told them, that's what your -- you have a
- 19 Jack'D account in that name, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. All right.
- 22 You also told them, that you chatted a few times with
- this fourteen-year-old boy, correct?
- 24 A. Ah, I -- correct -- I don't have the information to review

- 1 it, but ah, yeah.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- Well, I'll bring up the information there. Why don't
- 4 we take a look at Exhibit No. 19.
- 5 When you talked to them, you told that, you spoke
- 6 online to this boy, if you'd take a look at Page 9, is that up
- 7 before you there?
- 8 A. It is now.
- 9 MS. ROTELLA: Is it up before the jury? Okay.
- 10 BY MS. ROTELLA:
- 11 Q. So, at the bottom of Page 9 there, you're saying, that:
- 12 The name Dominic Huntzinger sounds familiar and it
- 13 could have been anybody, I chat with or have chatted with.
- 14 A JUROR: We don't have it.
- MS. ROTELLA: You don't have it.
- THE COURT: You --
- MS. ROTELLA: Can you put it before the jury, please.
- 18 THE COURT: Yes.
- MS. ROTELLA: Okay, thank you, thank you.
- 20 Q. You told the police that:
- The name Dominic Huntzinger sounds familiar, it could
- 22 have been anybody I chatted with or have chatted with.
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. Okay.

- 1 And then, you go down a little bit and you're asked:
- 2 Did you come to Limerick Township, Montgomery County
- 3 to meet a fourteen-year boy?
- And you said: Yes, I did and it was a mistake.
- 5 Correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. They're your words?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. All right.
- 10 What was that boy's name?
- I can't remember, I chatted with him on the app a
- 12 couple of times.
- Do you remember saying that?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- So, you did, you chatted with him a couple of times.
- 17 And then you tell, that:
- 18 He used several names, every time I chatted with him.
- 19 Correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. All right.
- So, if we'd go to the next page then, right, Page 10.
- All right. So, how do you remember him?
- You said: He used several different names.

- 1 That's the question that was posed to you, is that
- 2 right?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And your answer was:
- 5 Yes, I believe, he used the name, Skylar, then the
- 6 name Hunter and as well as the name Dominic.
- 7 Correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Skylar, Hunter and Dominic.
- 10 Why don't you take a look at the affidavit of probable
- 11 cause and I am going to give you a hard copy of it.
- 12 And you tell me where anywhere in here, it says,
- 13 Skylar, Dominic or Hunter? Exhibit No. 11.
- 14 (Pause at 10:08 a.m.)
- 15 A. Now, there's a black spot where a bunch of --
- 16 Q. I'll give you an un-redacted version.
- 17 A. Thank you.
- 18 (Pause continues.)
- 19 A. It's not in the affidavit of probable cause.
- 20 Q. Hmm, how about that.
- 21 A. However, the name was mentioned by the detective, if I knew
- 22 that.
- 23 Q. Sir, you're saying, that they told you the names, first?
- 24 A. I believe, he said, are you familiar with the name of -- ah

- 1 -- can you go back a few pages?
- I believe that he --
- 3 Q. I'll give you a hard copy --
- 4 A. -- thank you.
- 5 Q. -- to make sure you go through it, you can go through it
- 6 yourself. It's starts on Page 9 and 10.
- 7 (Pause continues.)
- 8 A. Okay.
- 9 Do you know Dominic Huntzinger, the middle of Page 9.
- 10 O. Yes.
- 11 Show me in there, where they told you the names Skylar
- or Hunter, you mentioned them first, isn't that right, Mr.
- 13 Steele?
- 14 A. I mentioned the names, yes, I did mention those two names.
- 15 Q. Yes. And what a coincidence.
- Were you here when the victim testified, that he used
- 17 those names, also?
- 18 A. I believe he said, he used, Dante.
- 19 O. And the other two names?
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. You also told the police in your confession, that the
- 22 victim identified himself as being eighteen years of age?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 Q. Take a look in that affidavit of probable cause and tell

- 1 me, where it says, that the victim identified himself as
- 2 eighteen years of age?
- 3 A. It does not say it in the affidavit of probable cause.
- 4 Q. So, you came up with that one all on your own, too?
- 5 A. That would be an assumption, because the transactions had
- 6 been on Jack'D and they had to be an adult to be on there.
- 7 Q. Hmm. Did you represent yourself as eighteen?
- 8 A. No, I did not.
- 9 Q. No, you did not. So, you just guessed, eighteen and that
- 10 happens to be the exact age that the victim said, he was when he
- 11 initially met you on Jack'D?
- 12 A. Having my experience with people on Jack'D and the
- 13 Internet, if someone was underage, they're not gonna be able to
- 14 pass as twenty-seven or twenty-eight.
- 15 Q. So, you're a good guesser, that's what you're trying to
- 16 tell us?
- 17 A. It was an assumption that --
- 18 Q. You also told the police, that you traveled to his house,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And that you had sex in his bedroom?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. Show me in the affidavit of probable cause, where it says,
- you had sex in his bedroom?

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- 1 (Pause at 10:11 a.m.)
- 2 A. It's not in the affidavit of probable cause.
- 3 Q. So, would that be another good guess on your part?
- 4 A. That would be an embellishment of a story to cover for
- 5 somebody.
- 6 Q. Hmm, that just happens to match exactly with what the
- 7 victim says, happened in this case, correct?
- 8 A. Isn't that where most people have sex in their bedroom?
- 9 Q. So, it was a good guess?
- 10 A. (No verbal response.)
- 11 Q. Then, you told the police, that you had oral and anal sex,
- 12 correct --
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. -- with this fourteen-year-old boy?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. You were crying when you were talking about that, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. And then, you told them, that you videotaped part of the
- 19 sexual encounter with that boy, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 O. Show me in the affidavit, where it says that?
- 22 A. It does not say that in the affidavit of probable cause.
- 23 Q. So, is that another good guess?
- 24 A. Having been with my partner for ten years, he liked to

- 1 videotape us having sex. And there have been several times, he
- 2 strayed out of our relationship and he would always videotape
- 3 that as well. I had found those several times in our
- 4 relationship.
- 5 Q. So, that would be --
- 6 A. I have --
- 7 Q. -- matching exactly what the victim says happened, too,
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 All conclusions based off of ten years experience with
- 11 the same person in an intimate, close relationship, correct.
- 12 Q. Well, you passed the test, then, right?
- 13 A. If you dated somebody for ten years, wouldn't you know them
- 14 like the back of your hand?
- 15 Q. So, what we do know in this case, in addition to all of
- 16 those things that are not in the affidavit of probable cause, is
- 17 that you lied -- what you want to say is that you lied to the
- 18 police?
- We know you've lied at some point, right, because your
- 20 story today is different from what your story to the police was
- 21 in December of '13 --
- 22 A. I --
- 23 Q. -- correct?
- 24 A. Yes, I lied.

- 1 Q. So, one of them is a lie?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. Right.
- 4 Did you take a look at the cell site records, that --
- 5 that were turned over to you and your attorney?
- 6 A. I did.
- 7 Q. So, there's one day in the thousands of calls that were
- 8 made with your cell phone -- one day, August the 8th of 2013 --
- 9 where you are right near the victim's home?
- 10 A. My cell phone is near the victim's home, correct, in those
- 11 cell phone records.
- 12 Q. And it's traced right back to your house?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 O. Correct?
- 15 And it's -- your cell phone is there the morning
- 16 before, because there were calls that are made at midnight,
- 17 before you traveled to the victim's house?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And at two o'clock in the morning, before you traveled to
- 20 the victim's house -- or 1:54 a.m.?
- 21 A. From the cell phone records?
- 22 Q. Yes, from the cell phone records.
- 23 A. There were no calls made, my cell phone rang. There was no
- 24 extended conversation.

- 1 Q. So, you had your cell phone at 2:00 a.m. -- 1:54 a.m. in
- 2 the morning -- of August 8th, before anybody ever traveled to
- 3 Limerick, correct?
- 4 A. My cell phone was Delaware. I did not have the phone on
- 5 me.
- 6 Q. Oh, the phone was no on you?
- 7 A. No, it was not.
- 8 Q. So, if the cell site records show it pinging right near
- 9 your house, the cell phone records are wrong, too?
- 10 A. No. My partner is off on Wednesdays, the 7th was a
- 11 Wednesday. He spent all day with me. I don't have a vehicle,
- 12 him and I were out. He stays at my house often on Wednesday
- 13 night, get up early in the morning and goes where he lives,
- 14 which is forty miles away.
- So, we had gone out to the movies that night, the cell
- 16 phone was left in his car by mistake.
- 17 Q. Did you -- does he live in Limerick?
- 18 A. No, he does not.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 Does he live in Delaware?
- 21 A. Yes, he does.
- 22 Q. Somehow that cell phone ended up right by the victim's
- 23 house, just six hours later, 8:09 in the morning is the first
- 24 call, correct?

- 1 A. If that -- if that's what it says.
- 2 Q. By the victim's house?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- Of all of the photographs that -- that you were shown
- 6 this morning, the twelve photographs of you, some of the naked,
- 7 some of the clothed, the twelve that you looked at --
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 O. -- which is --
- MS. ROTELLA: What number exhibit, 39 or something.
- 11 BY MS. ROTELLA:
- 12 Q. All of them, you indicate are from public websites,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Goggle Images or my Twitter --
- 15 Q. Goggle Images --
- 16 A. -- page, correct.
- 17 Q. -- somebody can pull them off, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. You're aware that all of them ended up on the victim's
- 20 Jack'D account, right?
- 21 A. I am at this point.
- 22 Q. You also know that on your cell phone -- your cell phone --
- 23 the victim's picture was found, correct?
- 24 A. That's what I -- I've come to find out, correct.

- 1 Q. Not on the Sim card, on the cell phone memory, correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. All right.
- And you've seen that picture?
- 5 A. It's been shown to me, yes.
- 6 Q. Yes.
- 7 Do you remember receiving that picture --
- 8 A. No, I did --
- 9 Q. -- from the victim in this case? So, you don't remember
- 10 ever seeing --
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. -- you don't remember ever getting the picture?
- 13 A. No, I don't remember getting that picture.
- 14 Q. You're saying, you saw the picture when it came time for
- 15 this trial?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 How about the picture that was sent to you and it was
- on your Jack'D account?
- 20 A. What do you mean, the picture that was sent to me on my
- 21 Jack'D account?
- 22 Q. The victim's picture, do you remember seeing that picture?
- 23 A. No, I do not.
- 24 Q. The one that has the Jack'D watermark in the corner of it?

- 1 A. No, I do not remember that photo.
- MS. ROTELLA: Well, why don't we pull it up.
- 3 (Long pause and whispering and sneezing held off the
- 4 record at 10:18 a.m.)
- 5 BY MS. ROTELLA:
- 6 Q. Do you see that photo there?
- 7 A. Yes, I do.
- 8 Q. All right.
- 9 You're saying that that -- you never saw that photo?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. So, your Jack'D account was used, correct?
- 12 A. Correct. Well, that --
- 13 Q. You cell phone was used, correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Your e-mail accounts were used, correct?
- 16 A. Where were my e-mail accounts used? I'm confused with how
- my e-mail accounts were tied into this.
- 18 Q. I'm sorry, I'm mistaken, your profile pictures were used,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Ah, it was -- ah, I don't believe they are profile
- 21 pictures, they are pictures that can be obtained anywhere on the
- 22 Internet.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- But they're of you?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. They're of you?
- 3 A. Well, they're of Mike Dozer.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 Well, you are Mike Dozer, correct?
- 6 A. In -- in a theoretical sense, correct.
- 7 Q. All right.
- 8 So, you don't need to refer to yourself in the third
- 9 party, the pictures there are of you?
- 10 A. Okay, correct.
- 11 Q. So, your photos, your Jack'D account, your cell phone, all
- of your things were used, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And we have your confession saying that, you were the
- 15 person that did this, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And we have the victim coming into court and saying, you
- 18 were the person that he had sex with, isn't that right?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. The popper substance was found in your bedroom, isn't that
- 21 right, Mr. Steele?
- 22 A. Poppers are widely used among gay men. I'm sure you'd be
- 23 hard pressed to find a gay man, that does not know what poppers
- 24 are? They're used in -- I'd say -- over fifty percent of adult

- 1 films. If anybody watches a gay adult film, they'll see the
- 2 models sniffing them while engaging in sex.
- 3 You can buy them over the Inter -- over the Internet,
- 4 you can buy them in an adult sex shop. That is something that's
- 5 widely known amongst the gay.
- So, me having poppers, it is not different from the
- 7 man down the street having poppers.
- 8 Q. So, the answer to my actual question would be, yes, the
- 9 poppers were taken from your bedroom --
- 10 A. Correct --
- 11 Q. -- correct?
- 12 A. -- correct.
- 13 Q. The same poppers, that the victim said, were used when you
- 14 had sex with him?
- 15 A. No, not the same poppers, the same substance.
- 16 O. The same substance?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. And the photo that was on your cell phone, that was taken
- 19 from you in December of 2013, correct --
- 20 A. Which --
- 21 Q. -- your cell phone?
- 22 A. -- which started --
- 23 Q. When you were arrested, your cell phone was taken off of
- 24 your person, is that right?

- 1 A. That's -- correct.
- 2 O. And that was December 13th of 2013?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. The allegation in this case when the victim says, that you
- 5 came to his house and had sex with him, it was in August of
- 6 2013, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. So, some four months later, you were still carrying around,
- 9 a sexually-explicit photo of a fourteen year old, that you say,
- 10 you've never seen, is that what you're telling us today?
- 11 A. What I'm telling you is, I had thousands of photos on my
- 12 cell phone. I don't know what, exactly, was on my cell phone.
- 13 There are tons of pictures that get loaded to my phone and I do
- 14 keep a Rolodex file of exactly what photos are on my phone,
- 15 correct.
- 16 Q. Well, one of those photos, Mr. Steele, was of this
- 17 fourteen-year-old victim in a sexually-explicit position,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. You told the police, you were sorry about what you did?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. You told them, it was wrong to have sex with a fourteen-
- year-old boy?
- 24 A. Correct.

- 1 O. Cried to them?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. You would admit, Mr. Steele, that of all the people that
- 4 sit in this courtroom today, you are the person, who stands to
- 5 lose the most by the outcome of this case, isn't that right?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. So, you are the person, who has the most motivation to make
- 8 up a story about what happened that day, don't you?
- 9 A. Ah, at this point, I've already lost more than anybody can
- 10 understand. Ah --
- 11 Q. There is still more to come, though, right, Mr. Steele?
- 12 A. That's for the jury to decide, but yes, that's what a legal
- 13 process is.
- MS. ROTELLA: That's all I have, your Honor, thank
- 15 you.
- 16 THE COURT: You don't have any redirect, do you?
- 17 MR. WRAY: I have brief redirect, two questions,
- 18 Judge.

19 <u>REDIRECT EXAMINATION</u>

- 20 BY MR. WRAY:
- 21 Q. With regards to the statement that you gave to the police,
- 22 did you ever sign that statement?
- 23 A. No, I did not.
- 24 Q. And you've testified that your boyfriend at the time, had

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    access to your cell phone?
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    A. Yes.
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               MS. ROTELLA: Nothing further.
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               THE COURT: Thank you for your testimony, you're
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     excused.
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               (Witness excused at 10:22 a.m.)
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               (The remainder of the proceeding are not being
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    transcribed at this time.)
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<u>CERTIFICATE</u>

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I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript of the electronic-sound recording of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

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